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To the Worthy Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of Westminster.

Gentlemen,

HIS Majesty having been graciously pleased to appoint me one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, by which my Seat in Parliament is vacated; and the Shortness of Time not permitting me to apply personally to you, I take this Method of entreating your Votes and Interest to be re-elected your Representative in Parliament; which will ever be acknowledged by,

Gentlemen,

Your obliged humble Servant,

TRENTHAM.

To the Worthy Electors of the City and Liberty of Westminster.

AT a Meeting of a great Number of the principal Inhabitants and Electors of the City and Liberty of *Westminster*, at the *Crown and Anchor* Tavern, it was unanimously agreed to propose *George Cooke, Esq;* to be a Candidate at the ensuing Election of a Representative in Parliament, for the said City and Liberty, in the room of the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount *Trentbam*, who hath accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of *Great Britain*; your Votes and Interest are therefore desired for the said *George Cooke, Esq;* accordingly.

Westminster, Nov. 19, 1749.

Nov. 20, 1749.

THE Worthy Electors of the City and Liberty of *Westminster* are desired to meet this Day at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, at the *Sun Tavern* in *King-Street*, to approve of a proper Person to represent the said City and Liberty in Parliament on this present Vacancy.

To the Worthy Electors of Westminster.

Gentlemen and Fellow-Citizens,

BEING unanimously approved of at a large Meeting of the worthy Electors of this City, as a Candidate to represent them in Parliament, in the room of Lord *Trentbam*, whose Seat is become vacant, I humbly beg the Favour of all your Votes and Interest, assuring you, I shall always discharge my Trust with Fidelity to you and to the Laws and Liberties of England. I return you my hearty Thanks for your uncommon Zeal and Appearance for me this Morning, and am,

Gentlemen,

Your most obliged and most obedient humble Servant,
Grosvenor-street,

Nov. 22, 1749.

GEO. VANDEPUT.

The Poll is adjourned to *Friday Morning* at Nine o'Clock; at which Time Sir *George* desires the Favour of his Friends to meet him at *Covent-Garden*.

And whereas a malicious Report has been spread, that Sir *George Vandeput* will decline the Election, he does assure his Friends he is determined to support it to the last.

His Friends are desired to meet at the *Sun Tavern* in *King-street, Westminster*, by Six o'Clock this Evening.

A List

A List of the Nobility, Gentry, &c. who poll'd
on *Wednesday Morning*.

For Sir George Vandeput
George Clarges, Esq;
John Shuttleworth, Esq;
Edward Kynaston, Esq;
Lord Egmont,
Sir John Cust, Bart.
John Conyers,
William Norrby,
Cb. Soleirol,
George Cooke, Esq;
John Davis.

For Lord Trentham.
Sir Hugh Smithson,
Thomas Salisbury,
Horatio Townsend,
George Payne, Esq;
Francis Vernon, Esq;
Francis Hutchinson,
William Sharp,
John Duvernol,
Francis Reynolds,
Thomas Lediard, Esq;

To the Worthy Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of
Westminster.

Gentlemen,

YOUR Vote, Interest, and Poll (if needful) are
desired for *PETER WOOD*, to be your
Representative in Parliament, having on every Oc-
casion distinguished himself for the *Service* and *Plea-*
sure of the Public in General, and of this City in
Particular.

He hopes he has lately made it manifest to
the Whole World his particular Love of *Justice*;
which must recommend him to every *honest Man*.

N. B. Mr. *WOOD* desires the Worthy Electors
to excuse his not making his Personal Application,
A late Affair hindering him from it; but hopes they
will take Notice, That he was no Way concern'd
in the Vindication of the *French Strolers*.

To the worthy Electors of Westminster.

Gentlemen,

UPON my Return to Town this Day, I was
greatly surprized to find my Letter of *Sunday*
last had not been communicated to the General

Meeting at the Sun Tavern, Yesterday Morning. After the infinite Obligations I am under for the very great Honour done me by so considerable a Number as appeared at the Crown and Anchor on *Friday* last, I must be thought the most ungrateful of all Men, not to have made my Acknowledgments, and express'd the just Sense I had of so extraordinary a Mark of their Good-will towards me. I have therefore taken the Freedom to make my Apology in this Manner, and at the same Time communicate to you the Letter itself, which was sent from my House in the Country on *Sunday* Morning last, by Eleven o'Clock, and was delivered to one of the Gentlemen of the Committee before Four that same Day : I have not seen the Gentlemen since, but I dare say, their great Zeal to serve me was the only Reason why it was not produced, in hopes from their second Message I should have been there in Person. Who am,

Gentlemen,

Your most faithful and most obliged humble Servant,
Lincoln's-Inn-Fields,

Thursday, Nov. 21, 1749.

GEO. COOKE.

Mr. Cooke's Answer to the Gentlemen of the Committee from the Meeting at the Crown and Anchor.

Gentlemen,

Harefield, Nov. 19, 1749.

I Am very sorry that I was not at home when you did me the Favour to call at my House. I am highly obliged to the Gentlemen who composed the Meeting on *Friday* last at the Crown and Anchor, and think myself greatly honoured by the unanimous Approbation of so considerable a Body of worthy Electors.

I most sincerely wish my Situation would allow me to accept so generous an Invitation, and support their Choice with a Spirit becoming the Confidence placed in me : But as the Time is so short,
' and

and several of my Friends in the Country are a-verse to my engaging in this, I hope the Gentlemen will turn their Thoughts to some Person more worthy their Attention, and more capable of serving them. I rely on you, Gentlemen, to express my Thanks in a suitable Manner, and to beg their Excuse for not answering the Message sooner, being desirous to give it all the Consideration and Deference possible. Who am, with the truest Regard,

Gentlemen,

Your very faithful and obliged humble Servant,
GEORGE COOKE.

To the Worthy (not regarding the Unworthy) B——s, E——s, Inhabitants, and others, of the City and Liberties of Westminster, These are,

YOUR Votes and Interest are desired, expected, and earnestly entreated, by Capt. *Hercules Vinegar*, against all Candidates, to represent you in Parliament, who practice the infamous manner of puffing, and soliciting for their Seats in Parliament, by Advertisements and News Puffs, after the Manner and Mode of the celebrated Doctor *R----k*. If you ask some old Latin School-master he will explain the Meaning of *Ambire Magistratum*: And how infamous the Romans held it, and how opposite to our Laws and Constitution it is, wherein Freedom of Election is so guarded with useful Statutes.

N. B. Speedily will be published a very diverting Epistle from a Man in the Moon, to *London* and *Westminster*. The Convention of the Estates of the Moon, are ordered for *December 25*.

Likewise soon will be delivered to the Subscribers, the new Essay upon Speeches, printed at *Grand Cairo*, and translated from the old *Egyptian* Lingua into the modern, and most accurate *French*, as it is now spoken at the C----rt in the *Haymarket*.

*To the Worthy Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of
Westminster.*

Gentlemen,

HIS Majesty having been graciously pleased to appoint me *One of the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral*, by which my Seat in Parliament is Vacated, and the Shortness of Time not permitting me to apply Personally to you; I take this Method of Intreating your Votes and Interest to be Re-elected your Representative in Parliament, which will ever be Acknowledged, by

Gentlemen, Your Obligated Humble Servant,
TRENTHAM.

The Election comes on To-morrow Friday the 24th Inst. at Covent-Garden, at Nine o'Clock in the Morning.

Whereas it has been maliciously reported, in order to impose upon the worthy Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, and to prejudice me in their Opinion at this Time, that I was active in the Disturbance at the French Play-House last Tuesday Seven-night: I do declare, upon my Honour, that I was neither in the Pit nor Gallery where the Disturbance happened, during the Time of the Performance, nor drew my Sword, nor made use of any Weapon either to strike or terrify any of the Spectators, nor was I even present at the first and chief Disturbance, nor have I been at any Representation at that Play-House, since the first Night of the Performance, as has been falsely suggested.

Grosvenor-street, Nov. 23, 1749.

TRENTHAM.

**PEG T-----M's Invitation to the Two Shilling
VOTERS of Westminster.**

*To shew how much our Northern Tastes refine,
Imported Nymphs our Peereesses outshine,*

While

*While Tradesmen starve, these Philomels are gay,
For generous Lords had rather give than Pay.*

YOUNG.

S I R,

WAS it not evident to every one, that Folly seems more and more proportionate to the Temper of my Countrymen, I should have been surpriz'd at the Encouragement given to the Vagrants of a Nation, remarkable for their Fopperies over all *Europe*: But how much greater must be the Surprize of every thinking Person, when he hears the chief Encouragers of these Strollers are no less than the Descendants of those worthy Patriots, whose Nobility was their least Claim to Honour, assisted by cockaded Fribbles, whom we maintained during the late War, at an infinite Expence to keep the *French* out, not to bring 'em in.

Should it be told in a distant Country, or a distant Day, when the Inconsistencies of our *Petit-Maitre* Generation are forgotten, that there was an Island, abounding in all Conveniencies for War or Commerce, well instructed in Arts and Sciences, beloved by Heaven, envied by the whole World; whose Glory was Liberty, and whose Security its Situation; and yet notwithstanding these multiplied Advantages, that the Inhabitants of it were so addicted to Luxury and Extravagance as to hazard Honour, Health, Fortune, Fame, and Liberty, in the Pursuit of them; that having humbled their Enemies, and set Bounds to the Ambition of their Neighbours, instead of rooting out Folly where they came, encouraged the Growth of it; nay, transplanted it to their own Country: Sure the Relation must be treated as a Romance, and an Absurdity too gross to be received! But alas! we have the too melancholy Proofs of a parallel Conduct at Home; and tho' we have but just recovered from the Incon-

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veniences of a War with a powerful Enemy, are daily importing the very Scum of their Country to entertain us, at the Expence of our Understanding at Home, and our Reputation Abroad.

In a Word, had our Fathers foreseen so shameful a Degeneracy in their Posterity, and known that their Sons, tho' possessed of the most elegant Performances in their own Language, heighten'd by the well-judged Voice and Actions of their own Countrymen, would nevertheless have preferred the miserable Performances of *French* Valets, Barbers, and Skip-Kennels, they would, at the Close of Life, repented of the unwearied Endeavours they were at to establish our Liberty, and to make our Name a Terror to *France*, and honourable thro' the World.

The *French* Strollers Bit ; or, a Vote for P E G
T——M.

1.

YE pert Buffoons of *France*,
Who hither come to dance,
Pimp and betray,
Pack up your Awls again,
Such Stuff won't entertain,
Oh ! 'tis against the Grain,
Troop, troop away.

2.

E'er thy Buffoon'ry,
To lull us easily,
Till fast asleep,
Until thy antic Tricks,
Of nought but Rags and Sticks,
We of your Funs are sick,
Troop, troop away.

3.

What tho' some silly Apes,
Sprung from your Mongrel Race,
Say you shall stay ;

What

(II)

What tho' they storm and swear,
You shall continue here,
And call you *dear Monsieur*,
Troop, troop away.

4.

To do this foolish Job,
Peg T——m heads the Mob,
Very fine Show,
That such who ought to be,
Stanch for our Liberty,
Strive for our Slavery,
Troop, troop away.

5.

O! may our heavenly Lord,
Join them in one *A Cord*,
Is *Britons* Prayer,
That they in Unity,
May altogether be,
J——k K——b mayn't lose his Fee,
We'll sing dare, dare.

To the Generous Electors of WESTMINSTER.

GENTLEMEN,

I Went Yesterday to the Polling-place, in order to give my Vote for Sir *George Vandeput*, but was interrupted by a great Number of *ill-looking Scoundrels*, who were arm'd with Bludgeons and other offensive Weapons; as I found it impossible to get to the Steps without running the Hazard of being knock'd o th' Head, I went round to the back Door of the Church, being told Numbers of Persons were led in that way to Poll for Lord *T——m*. When I came to the Church Door, I found a certain Noble Lord, who was in the Interest of Sir *George*, knocking for Admittance but could get none, tho' several Persons were let in just before to poll for the opposite Party. This, and many more Instances of the like kind,

kind, serves to shew the Partiality there is shewn on this Occasion.

An ELECTOR.

Speedily the Publick will be entertain'd with the *Travels of Peg Trim Tram's Sur-loin of Beef*, that was kick'd and cuff'd from House to House for a long time, without being able to get Admittance any where.

And this Day the Ghost of *Penlez* is to come and give his Vote for Sir *George Vandeput*, attended by the principal Inhabitants of St. Clements.

Ten QUERIES submitted to every sober, honest, and disinterested Elector for the City and Liberty of *Westminster*.

- I. QUERY. **W**HO IS SIR GEORGE VANDE-PUT?
- II. Whether every Person who voted for Lord *Trentham* at the last Election, and should now reject him, and give his Vote for Sir *George Vandeput*, without knowing who or what the Person is for whom he votes, can reconcile such a Conduct to his own Understanding, without imputing some Crime to the noble Lord?
- III. Whether the noble Lord's having appeared one Night at a *French* Comedy, is any Crime at all: Much less a Crime which deserves so severe a Punishment as to be rejected by this great City and Liberty; especially in favour of a Candidate very little known to the Electors, a Circumstance which must greatly aggravate the Disgrace, and which must cast some imputation of Guilt on the noble Lord's Character?
- IV. Whether it is not plain, from what Quarter this Opposition arises; namely, from those Enemies to the present Government who watch every Occasion to embroil the public Peace: to sow the Seeds of Discontent and Disaffection; to inflame the Minds of the People, and to blow up the yet warm

warm Coals of Sedition and Rebellion in this Kingdom?

V. Whether any Thing baser was ever attempted, than to misrepresent a quiet Spectator in a Play-house, as one who joined in a Riot, drew his Sword, and assailed and wounded a naked Man?

VI. Whether there are not at present, as is universally known, a great Number of Jesuits and other Popish Priests scatter'd about this Town in various Disguises? And whether the spreading such wicked Falshoods as these is not an Art which smells very strong, of jesuitical Craft and Policy.

VII. Whether it is possible to devise a greater Affront to the Understandings of the Electors of *Westminster*, than to expect that such a simple Matter as the real naked Fact is, could inflame the Minds of a sensible, a sober, and a good-natur'd People; and could induce them to offer so cruel an Affront to the Person and Character of a young *truly English* Nobleman, of the highest Quality and Fortune, and of the most unblemished Honour?

VIII. Whether every Man of common Honesty will not detest the Falshood contained in the fifth *Query*? Whether every Man of common Sense will not suspect the Fraud mentioned in the sixth? And whether every Elector of common Spirit will not resent the Affront offered in the seventh?

IX. Whether every worthy Elector who hath no particular Connection with Sir *George Vandeput*, will not give his Vote for my Lord *Trentham*?

Last *Query*. Whether in that Case, the *Englishman* with the *Dutch* Name, can procure an hundred Voices in this populous City?

Nov.

Nov. 25, 1749.

PLAIN TRUTHS, in Answer to false ASPERSIONS,
Contained in Ten Queries Yesterday.

SIR George Vandeput, is descended from an ancient and wealthy Family of the *Netherlands*, who, about *Two Hundred Years* ago, were obliged to leave their Country for their steady Support of the Protestant Religion, against *Popery* and *Arbitrary Power*; and, at the Beginning of the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, took Refuge in *England*, bringing with them a considerable Fortune.

Sir Peter Vandeput, Grandfather to the Present Sir George, was Sheriff of *London* in the Reign of King *James the Second*.---- His Memory will be for ever Dear to All True Lovers of Liberty, for the Firm and Glorious stand he then made in support of our Constitution against the Tyrannical Schemes of a *Papish* and *French* Faction.

The Present Sir George is a Gentleman who never deviated from the Principles of his Ancestors.

As to the Fourth Query-----Ask Lord T-----m, who had his Foot in the Stirrup in the Year 1715?

N. B. The Friends of Sir George Vandeput are desired to meet at the Fountain-Tavern in Catherine-Street in the Strand, after the Poll is over.

To the Worthy Electors of Westminster.

Gentlemen, your Votes and Interest are desired for Sir George Vandeput, Bart. a true Lover of the Laws and Liberties of *England*.

Quere 1. Whether, upon your late Representative's Resignation of the Trust you had reposed in him, he ought not to have taken the Opinion of a general Meeting, if thought a proper Person for your future Confidence?

2. Whether his nominating himself a Candidate without such Opinion, does not imply a sovereign Suffi-

Sufficiency in himself, as well as Contempt of his Electors ?

3. Whether, from this Behaviour, it may not fairly be infer'd ; that he thinks, *the Admiral* can command, what *the Lord* formerly condescended to solicit ?

4. Whether a PLACE is such an Ingredient in a Member of Parliament, as is likely to render him of more constitutional Service to his Country or Constituents ?

5. Whether, by the suddenness of the Election, it was not intended (according to some political Practices) to smuggle a Member upon this City ?

6. Whether, if a Representative thinks proper to vacate his Seat without *Your* Consent, it may not be prudent to fill it up again without *His* ?

*To the Worthy INHABITANTS of the City
and Liberty of WESTMINSTER.*

GENTLEMEN,

HIS Majesty having been graciously pleased to appoint me *One of the Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral*, by which my Seat in Parliament is Vacated, and the shortness of Time not permitting me to apply Personally to you ; I take this method of intreating your Votes and Interest to be Re-elected your Representative in Parliament, which will ever be Acknowledged, by

GENTLEMEN, *Your obliged*

humble Servant,

Nov. 24th, 1749.

TRENTHAM.

N. B. *The Election continues at Covent-Garden this, and the following Days, till the Poll is closed, and to begin each Day at Nine o'Clock in the Morning.*

Whereas

Whereas it has been maliciously reported, in order to impose upon the worthy Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, and to prejudice me in their Opinion at this Time, that I was active in the Disturbance at the French Play-house last Tuesday Seven-night: I do declare, upon my Honour, that I was neither in the Pit nor Gallery where the Disturbance happened, during the Time of the Performance, nor drew my Sword, nor made use of any Weapon either to strike or terrify any of the Spectators, nor was I even present at the first and chief Disturbance, nor have I been at any Representation at that Play-house, since the first Night of the Performance, as has been falsely suggested.
 Grosvenor-street, November TRENTHAM.

27, 1749.

To the Worlby Electors of WESTMINSTER, who are in the Interest of

Sir GEORGE VANDEPUT.

GENTLEMEN,

YOU are invited, on the Days of polling, during the whole Election, to meet some particular Friends of Sir George Vandeput, at the Cross-Keys and Rummer Tavern in Henrietta-street, Covent-Garden, to drink a Bumper to the following Health, and then to proceed immediately to the Poll;

‘ Health and Happiness to his Majesty King George, his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and to all the Royal Family,——wishing Success to Sir George Vandeput and his present Election.

Henrietta-street, Nov.

27, 1749.

By Order of the Committee.

N. B. Several Constables (the most proper, if not the only Guard that ought to be procured upon this Occasion) have voluntarily offered to defend the Electors from all outrageous Insults.

To the Worthy ELECTORS of Westminster.
GENTLEMEN,

YOUR VOTES and INTEREST are desired for

The Right Hon. Lord Viscount Trentham,
A REAL Englishman.

Quære I. **W**HETHER it is to be conceived, that
after Lord *Trentham* had pawned his
Honour that he was in no Shape concerned in the
Riot at the *French* Play-house, any of the Electors
can still continue to believe the vile Aspersions
thrown out against him?

II. Whether the PERSON who proposed to the
worthy Electors Sir *George Vandepui* for a Candi-
date, was not himself at the *French* Play-house on
the first Night of the Representation, and was not
a Witness (as he has confessed himself to Persons of
Credit) that Lord *Trentham* was NO WAY con-
cerned in the Riot?

III. Whether a PERSON of immediate FO-
REIGN Extraction can be reasonably supposed by
the worthy Inhabitants of *Westminster*, to be a pro-
per Guardian of the Laws and Liberties of *Eng-
land*, than the Noble Lord who now offers himself
for your Representative, and whom you have here-
tofore honoured with that Trust?

To the Worthy Electors of Westminster.
GENTLEMEN,

BEING unanimously approved of at a very large
Meeting of the Worthy Electors of *Westmin-
ster*, as a Candidate to represent them in Parliament,
in the room of Lord *Trentham*, whose Seat is be-
come Vacant; I beg the Favour of your Votes and
Interest, assuring you I shall always discharge my
B Trust

Trust with Fidelity to you, and to the Laws and Liberties of *England*.

Nov. 22, 1749.

N. B. The Election comes on this Morning, at the usual Place in *Covent-Garden*.

GEO. VANDEPUT.

Gentlemen are desired to take Notice that this is no Party Affair ; we are One and All, for our King, Country, and an Honest Representative.

Nov. 22. 1749.

To the Worlby Electors of Westminster.

GENTLEMEN,

INSTEAD of the CHAMPION of, and SUBSCRIBER to the *French Strollers*,

Your Votes and Interest are desired for

Sir GEORGE VANDEPUT, *Bart.*

An ENGLISHMAN,

Who was Nominated to Represent You in Parliament with the unanimous Approbation of a Great Number of the Principal Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of *Westminster*, at their last General Meeting at the SUN TAVERN in *Westminster* for that Purpose ; he being a Gentleman every Way Qualified for so important a Trust ; a Zealous Assertor of the BRITISH LIBERTIES, and a LOVER of his Country.

N. B. The Election begins this Day at Nine o'Clock in *Covent-Garden*.

An ACROSTICK.

Voice unbrib'd, a free-born Voice

Always fix'd *Old England's* Choice ;

Now the Case is alter'd quite,

DEAD perverts the People's Right :

Every petty Fool dependant

Polls for Bread, in Hopes to mend on't.

U nite ; disband your *Strolling L--d*,

T hen give his p-j--d Friends a CORD.

An

An ACROSTICK.

To the Independent Electors of Westminster.

TRUE to his Country, steady to defend
R ights, which on GEORGE's House August
depend :

E arly our noble Youth doth plainly prove,
N o Threats can daunt him, nor no Faction move;
T he True-born BRITON scorns the Rage of
Fools :

H is on, ye Crowds of Independent Tools:
A nd all ye motley Tribes, with Shame confess,
M ost shines that Virtue, which ye most depress.

IF great Numbers of People from the Parishes
of St. John's and St. Margaret's, paying
no more than Four Pounds a Year Rent, have been
admitted to Poll at this Election,

Surely the Inhabitants of other Parishes have an
equal Right to Poll for Sir GEORGE as those for
Lord T-----.

To the Worthy Electors of Westminster.
Gentlemen,

Notwithstanding a particular Influence appeared
so conspicuous Yesterday ; — that all the Pub-
lic Offices were raked for Votes ; that the Hustings
(contrary to Custom) were filled with the Voters on
one Side, who were smuggled thro' the Church ; —
that there was a Mob, armed with Bludgeons, hired
to interrupt the Freedom of Election, the Captain
of which, with nineteen of his Brickstreet Bruisers,
were sent to the Roundhouse : — Yet, upon casting
up the Poll, there was only the inconsiderable Major-
ity of 184, altho', at the Closing the Books, more
than 400 from one Parish only were ready to vote
for Sir GEORGE V-----.

All this considered, the Friends of that Gentleman cannot but have the most sanguine Hopes of a successful Issue, which Unanimity and Perseverance must certainly accomplish.

N. B. The Poll for *Wager and Sundon*, in 1741, stood on the first Day thus, 921 ; for the other Candidates only 400.

Every Honest Man's Wish :

No Bribery, no Cursed Bribery ;
Liberty, Liberty, Liberty,
Sir G E O R G E for ever.

Huzza,

Huzza,

Huzza.

To the Worthy Electors of W-----r.

GENTLEMEN,

I AM so unfashionable as to think a faithful and able Discharge of a *past Trust*, is the best Recommendation, as well as Security for a *future One*.----- This Principle, you must imagine, would certainly have bias'd me in Favour of our late noble Representative, whose *juvenile Judgment*,-- *Family Independence*,--and *unutterable Elocution*,--have so eminently distinguish'd him upon all Occasions, where the particular Interests of his Constituents, or general Welfare of his Country, have demanded his Assistance. But however his *extraordinary* Virtues and Talents might have engaged me, a late Affair, I must confess, has somewhat abated my Zeal in his Service ;-- for, being the other Evening at the *French Theatre*, who should I see at the Head of a Mob of foreign Valets, Cooks, &c. signalizing himself, in a *laudable* Attack upon his *fellow Citizens*, but this *very young Man*, whom they had so lately made Choice of, as the
Defender

Defender of their Rights and Privileges?--- I was indeed amazed to see (at so critical a Conjunction) that S----- which had hitherto kept peaceful Possession of its S---bb---d, brandishing over the Heads of several of his own Electors; and that, in Support of a Parcel of foreign Vagabonds, who, from their being a Nuisance in their own Nation, are now come to be the Disgrace of ours.---Certain I am, this Fit of gallic Valour could never be communicated by the Touch of that R---l British Hand, he had but that very Morning kiss'd for his Employment. Perhaps, an impatient Desire to prove himself qualified for the warlike Board, to which he was appointed, might induce him to seize the first Opportunity of displaying his Prowess; being willing to convince the Public, that how deficient soever the Sea may have been, the Land is, at least, able to produce a *FIGHTING ADMIRAL* :----- However, I cannot help concluding him, a very unfit Person to defend me against the French in one House, who is ready to cut my Throat for them in Another.

I am,

Pall-Mall.

Gentlemen,

Yours,

An ELECTOR,

N. B. I should have address'd my Brother Electors thro' the usual Channel of the Public Papers; but, upon Application, found them *pre-engag'd*.

To the Unprejudiced Electors of Westminster.

GENTLEMEN,

I Cannot but think, that a faithful and honest Discharge of a past Trust is the best Recommendation for future Confidence: And though this Principle would certainly have sway'd me in Favour of a late Noble Representative, whose Behaviour in Parliament has, on all Occasions, been, truly unexceptionable,

tionable, yet has my Zeal for his Service been considerably heightened by the Necessity there is of opposing his Antagonist, and preventing, by that Means, the Progress of Jacobitism and Popery. For whatever Sir G--e's Principles might have been, before his appearing at the Head of the Independents, (or Persons independent of the Religion or Laws of their Country, if Independency, in this Case, means any thing) there is now but too much Reason to suspect him of a thorough Change: For what are the Independents, the Principles they profess, or the Motives by which they act? a small Share of Discernment will enable you to discover the too recent Behaviour of their Leaders at *Vintners-Hall*, the Earnestness with which they opposed all Subscriptions or Levies for suppressing the late Rebellion; their suspected Correspondencies, and the indecent Healths so often proposed, and so publickly drank in their Meetings and Assemblies, leave you no room to doubt these Gentlemen are the Persons, who, under the Mask of Friendship, and under Cover of great Zeal for their Country's Welfare, would artfully avail themselves of your Suffrages, and by your own precipitated Assistance would procure your own Undoing. And if these Things are so (of which let every Elector solemnly and candidly judge for himself, laying aside all personal Prejudice, or Favour) What have we been doing, and how grossly have we imposed upon Ourselves? though if we are satisfied, that the Leaders of the Independents mean and desire to protect the Protestant Religion, and the present Establishment; if we are satisfied, that they have not, nor ever had any Intention of introducing Arbitrary Power, or a Family long since expelled for Designs destructive to our Religion and Liberty; or if we are so insensible as not to be moved with these Dangers, or when near at Hand to be convinced of their Reality, let us One and All

Vote

MESSIEURS,

VOS Suffrages et Interests sont desirés pour Le
Tres Hon. mi Lord T———M un
VERITABLE Anglois.

N. B. Los prie ses Amis de ses rendre l'*Hotel*
Francois dans l' Marche au Foin.

To the van **ELECTORS** *van* Westminster.
MYNHEERS,

YOUR Companyck is desyr'd to Day to eat van
Pickel Herring, at de Sign van *AMBOYNA*,
and to gif your Vote for Mynheer *Vandergut*, against
de *Engelisch* Start, in *Common Garden*.

Ilk shall standen by you in de van Parlement, as
his Countrimen did in de *Flanders*.

No *Engelisch*———**HOLLAND FOR EVER.**

At the White Rose, *the* Corner of Pope's-Head-Alley,

This DAY, will be perform'd,

A New, Diverting, Tragi-Comical' FARCE, call'd,
The **FUNERAL** of Mother *Independency*.

Chief Mourner, Mr. J-----S.

And all the other Parts to the best Advantage.

Giving an Account how she was reduc'd to a starv-
ing Condition, by supporting and sheltering *Papists*

by Electors of

Assertion that Lord
Trentbam headed the Riot, and the
that he hired the Mob for the French Play-
ers, have not been, or may not be, proved, the one
to be *False*, and the other *Forg'd*, upon as full Evi-
dence as ever sent a Criminal in a Court of Justice to
the Pillory or the Gallows

II. Whether such *Falshoods* and *Forgeries* are not
Arts too infamous for a *wise Man* to direct an *honest*
Man to avow, or an *Englishman* to practise?

III. Whether such *Affidavit-Mongers*, after Con-
viction, do not insult your *Understanding*, by con-
tinuing to court your *Favour*?

IV. Whether any Objection now lies against Lord
Trentbam's being your Representative, excepting that
of his being appointed a Lord of the Admiralty?

V. Whether in this Nation, the Business of the
House of Commons can be done, unless the Lords of
the Admiralty sit in that House to assist and inform
it in all Inquiries relating to the Operations, Oecono-
my, and Government of the Fleet?

VI. Whether the most limited Place Bill brought
into Parliament, ever attempted to disqualify the
Lords of the Admiralty from being re-elected into
the House of Commons?

VII. Will you then be persuaded to do what the
Violence and Virulence, far less the Zeal and Wis-
dom, of former Oppositions, never attempted?

VIII,

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ALL TH

A Chimney-

Budget, as well as

Horse Guards, Foot Gua

who have not voted above Five Times in
 tion, are desired to meet To-morrow Morning at
 the Gully Hole, near the Admiralty Office, to Break-
 fast, where Ox Cheek, dress'd *A la Mode a Paris*,
 and a large Quantity of Soup Meagre, will be pro-
 vided for their Entertainment; after which every
 one will be treated with a Glafs of Strip-me-naked,
 and then they are to proceed to the Place of Polling,
 under the Conduct of the redoubted Mr. B-sw--ll,
 preceded by the Music from the French Theatre.
 All Those who have neither Shoes nor Stockings, are
 desired to poll without, the Time being too short to
 provide a sufficient Number.

IV. B. It having been given out that Mr. B-sw--ll,
 who was taken into Custody last Friday, is not
 yet discharg'd, this is to assure the Public, that
 the same is calculated to prejudice his L—p;
 for he declares, *Upon his Honour*, it is false, scan-
 dalous, and malicious, Mr. B-sw--ll being bail-
 ed out; and such others as were then taken up,
 are still kept in a Place of Security, commonly
 called a Round House, adjoining to the Place of
 Polling, to be let loose upon the first Emer-
 gency.

Whoever happens to be taken into Custody for rio-
 tous Behaviour, Mr. *Justice Trotplaid* attends to
 prevent any Commitment.

From

Luluze, act de Pierrot in de Harlequin Skeleton,
 you may have some Thought of my Situation.—
 Stop one Moment—ah! now 'tis well, I have shut
 him up, and so now I think no more of it.—
 To begin den—first I speak of myself, which perhaps
 you may not think agreeable to de *French Paletessee* ;
 but if it is ill Manners I learn it in England.—Pray
 Monsieur la Fool what is de Objection you have to
 me,—don't you like de French Comedie?—I
 have hear say from Monsieur *De Voltaire* in de Green
 Room in Paris, dat it is much better dan your En-
 glish Play; — for, says he, shaking his Head wit
 ver much Thought, De French Comedie —
 ah! 'tis ver much ——— it has de Bienfiance, —
 it is writ up to de Rule — never but one Character at
 a Time, — not like de English, full of a great many
 at a Time, on purpose to make Laugh, with great
 deal of Nonsense, which one *****, a meer Buffoon,
 and not serious Man, like me, would call Variety
 of Humour.—G—d D—n de *Skeleton*—what
 you stare? — ah! it is not stir — it is the Business I
 am to do make me frighten — to go on — can you
 answer Mr. *De Voltaire*? No, no, besides, you scold,
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you fight on de Stage, you *Draw de Sword on the Stage*, which we do not do in France. *upon my Honour*: And let me tell you, de French Player have more *Honour* in his little Finger dan de *English Lord*, and if he give his *Honour* you may believe him. Are we not better Actor dan you have? Sans doute, it is plain; for what is dat big Man, Mr. Guin, I tink de call? it is like mad Bull, ball and roar, and make Noise, a *gros Milord Anglois*. And dat other Man, Mr. Garlick, what is it but hop-my-thumb, a little Flash, and nothing else; and as for Barry, de Frenchman always like here, better dan de Irish. What de Devil, you come again, I shake all over. G——d d——n it for *Common Sense*, I tink no more of it; well, Monsieur, I tink it is plain I am best Actor; and if I get *Money*, and grow fat among you, I pay you for it with your own Coin, so dat I am sure you must like me; and if you like me, you like Lord T——m for defend me. And let me tell you Milord T——m 'tis ver pretty Gentleman; 'tis true he not speak de *French* ver yell, but he speak it better dan *English*, which is fine to see in young Man, and good Accomplishment for *Member of Parliament*. I am sure it would be so in France, and what is your *English Parliament* more? It does no more, it gives de K——g, or de Two Brothers, 'tis all de same, their own Way, as much as de do in Paris; besides, now I have remove all Prejudice against me, he is Subf——r for me, and ver good Friend in the *Disturbance*. I not say he draw de Sword in de Parteru or in de Gallerie, but it would do you Heart good, *upon my Honour*, to see him on de Stage in de *First and Chief Disturbance*, how he stand in threatening Posture! Sa, Sa, says he, and Sa, Sa, and den push, and den to de Tradesman, What you meddle in Plays? Bourgeoise Gentilhomme! Sa, Sa, den make Lunge, and drive all before. Encore, he never be present since dat Night, for what is present? let us talk Sense,

Sense, it is to be in de loge, and *upon my Honour*, he was only in de Green Room to say des Belles chous to de Ladies, who are all ver fond of him, he's so much Lady *himself*. Now, Monsieur, I insist you must let him sit in the P——t, and if you don't 'tis use me ill. I remember when I was in the Camp vit M——— I s———e you English was ver civil den, not *disturb him nor me*, and why should you do it now? I wish you had begin before de *Hapsburg* come home, de would be in de *Bastile* for dis; and I can tell you, if you not behave better, de War break out again, and de *grand Monarque* make you love me, and Milord T——— m. O de Devil, here 'tis again. De Skeleton: It pull my Hair: No 'tis only Louse. O! morbleau! here, here, Milord, Milord, under my Legs, come *draw your Sword*, no-body see, *we say upon our Honour* you did not. Ah! 'tis gone again! it say I am not worth his While; but I am so fear I can write no more, only just to say, Milord give Gallerie Ticket to all des Two S———g Voter, and I am in great Haste to run away.

Monsieur,

Votre tus bumble Servant,

JOAN SOUP MIGREA.

November 28.

A most excellent Sermon was preached on *Sunday* last in the Forenoon, at St. *James's Church*, on the third Commandment, by the Right Rev. Father in God the Lord Bishop of *Oxford*, in which his Lordship fully explained the Danger and Sin of taking an Oath rashly or inconsiderately, and exhorted his Congregation, whenever the Exigency of Affairs called on them to take a publick Oath, that they should weigh it well, and consider whether any Thing contained therein did not either from Interest and Influence, or otherwise, render the taking such
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an Oath, under some such Circumstances, contrary to the Dictates of their Consciences at that Time, and greatly to the Hazard of their Souls in the World to come. A most noble Admonition, and worthy that great and good Man, especially at this critical Juncture.

ELECTORS Oath.

‘ I *A. B.* do swear (or being one of the People called Quakers, I *A. B.* do solemnly affirm)
 ‘ I have not received or had by myself, or any Person whatsoever in Trust for me, or for my Use and Benefit, directly or indirectly, any Sum or Sums of Money, Office, Place or Employment, Gift or Reward, or any Promise or Security for any Money, Office, Employment or Gift, in order to give my Vote at this Election; and that I have not before been polled at this Election.’

Quere, Whether any Person through Fear, or Hopes of future Employment, can take the above Oath?

WHEREAS there has been handed about a pretended Affidavit of one *William Davison*, to the following Effect, viz.

William Davison of the Parish of St. Lawrence in the City of London, maketh Oath, That he, this Deponent, on the Seventeenth Day of November last. being the second Night of the *French Strollers* acting at the Theatre in the *Hay-Market*, was at the Sign of the *Globe*, a publick House opposite the *King's-Arms Tavern* in *Pall-Mall*, about Nine of the Clock that Night, where this Deponent saw *John Haines*, one of the Waiters at the said Tavern, and several other Persons, to the Number of sixteen, dress'd like Chairmen, each of whom had a great Bludgeon in his Hand which he put under his Coat,
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in order to hide the same, but in such a Manner as this Deponent was capable of seeing the said Bludgeons : And this Deponent enquiring the Occasion thereof, was informed by several Persons of Credit at the said House that they and others, to the Number of thirty, were hired by Lord *Trentham* to protect the *French* Strollers from any Attempt that might be made to prevent their acting, and that the said *Haines* paid them Five Shillings each for their Trouble, by the Directions of the said Lord *Trentham* and others. And this Deponent further saith, That the said *John Haines*, and the said several other Persons dress'd like Chairmen as aforesaid, went into a Room together at the said House, and some Disputes arising between them and the said *Haines* whether a List of their Names had been given to Lord *Trentham*, the said *Haines* declared, that he had wrote all their Names down and given the same to Lord *Trentham*, who would employ them again, and bid them go about their Business for that Time.

Sworn the 24th Day of Novem- William Davison.

ber 1749, at the Publick Of-

fice in Symond's Inn, before

me JOHN WAPLE.

I do hereby promise a Reward of Fifty Guineas to any Person or Persons who will produce the original Affidavit (if any such has been made) and the said *William Davison*.

TRENTHAM.

Grosvenor-street, Nov. 26, 1749.

Middlesex, *John Haines*, of the Parish of St. James, to wit, *Westminster*, maketh Oath, and saith, That he, this Deponent, never had any Conversation directly or indirectly with Lord *Trentham* relating to the *French* Players, nor did the said Lord *Trentham* dine at the *King's Arms* in *Pall-Mall*,

Mall, on the Seventeenth Day of *November* Instant, nor did this Deponent see the said Lord *Trentbam* on that Day, nor for several Days before, to the best of this Deponent's Remembrance and Belief. And this Deponent farther saith, That he never made Use of the said Lord *Trentbam*'s Name in any Conversation at the *Globe* Alehouse in *Pall-Mall*, on the said Seventeenth Day of *November*, Instant, neither to *William Davison*, nor any one else; and, to the best of this Deponent's Belief and Recollection, he did not speak to the said *Davison*; but is perfectly sure Lord *Trentbam*'s Name was never mentioned. And this Deponent further saith, That the said Lord *Trentbam*, as this Deponent is well assured, was not in the least privy to this Deponent's going to the Little Theatre in the *Hay-Market* on the said Seventeenth of *November* with several Persons, as mentioned in the Affidavit, or pretended Affidavit, of *William Davison*, nor had the said Lord *Trentbam* any Knowledge thereof, or Concern therein. And this Deponent further says, That every Word concerning the said Lord *Trentbam*, contained in the said Affidavit, or pretended Affidavit, of the said *Davison*, is false, scandalous and malicious.

Sworn the 26th Day of November, 1749, before me

H. Fielding.

JOHN HAINES.

A PLAIN ANSWER to the most material of the
 QUERIES last published in Favour of Lord T—.

WHAT may be proved is not easy to be known: But a tolerable Guess may be made, from what has been already published in Lord T— Favour.

And First, his own Answer, as to the Accusation of his Heading the Riot in the Play-house, is notoriously evasive; and though he has been told so over and over again, he has neither mended his own Defence,

sence, nor brought one Person to vouch the Truth of it.

As to *Haines's* Affidavit, it must be observed, That *Davison* has sworn to his being told, by several Persons of Credit, That Lord T—— had hired a Mob, &c. — And whether they did tell him so or not, *Haines* cannot possibly know — And yet an hard-mouthed — can boldly swear Point Blank, That every Word contained in *Davison's* Affidavit, concerning Lord T——, is false, scandalous, and malicious.

After this, what Credit can be given to any Thing he swears? Or who stands clearest from the Charge of Perjury?—The Man who hired a Mob to support *French* Strollers, is fit to swear for those who employed him.

After all, if Lord T—— is really innocent of this last Charge, why does he not make an Affidavit of his Innocence? No Man knows the Bottom of this Affair so well as he; and therefore no Man is so proper to clear it up. This he has not done. Not one Word of his own IS offered in his Justification: And will not the impartial World conclude, That he has not one Word to offer?

To the ANTI-GALLICANS.

GENTLEMEN,

YOU have now an Opportunity of doing your Country a considerable Piece of Service; and you are, from the Nature of your Society, peculiarly called upon to it: All Eyes are fixed on you; and we hope you will not be contented with refusing to drink Claret, and wear *French* Lace, while the *French* are endeavouring to gain a Settlement in your Capitol. You cannot, I presume, be ignorant, Gentlemen, with what Insolence our Countrymen, who in 1719, made a like Attempt at *Paris*, were treated by that Bully Nation. I hope, what the boast-

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ed Politeness of the *French* would never permit, the honest free Spirit of the *English* will never submit to; and you, Gentlemen, particularly must be sensible how much we are already infected with *French* Manners, and how much farther the Infection is like to spread by the Establishment of a *French* Company among us. You are very numerous, and have the Hearts, and may, on Occasion, have the Hands too of the People with you: therefore exert yourselves, and you will crush, in their Infancy, this Brood of Vipers in the Bosom of your Country. Dare, and the Spirit of those *English* Heroes, the Conquerors of *France*, who still live on our Stage, inspire you.

Yours, &c.

To my Lord T——.

THE K——g of *France* (my most glorious Monarch) being touched with a lively Sense of the Obligations he owes your Lordship, for the powerful Protection you have given to his Subjects in *England*, honours you with his Thanks, and commands me to assure you, that your L——p shall be Chief Manager of his Play-House in *England*, as soon as your L——p and your Friends, have brought those insolent Rascals, the ——, under his Dominion, being satisfied the Measures your L——p and Friends now pursue, can't fail of your desired Success. I have the Honour to be

Your Lordship's most obliged

humble Servant,

M——

N. B. Translated from the Original *French*.

Vanderporten for Ever.

BYRAN RAPAWAY maketh Oath, that upon all the Days when the *French Stranglers* play'd, he saw Lord *Trentrum* with a Blunderbuss in his Pocket; and says, that he saw the said Lord *Trentrum* either

in the Pit or Gallery, but which it was he cannot say as yet ; and says that he was told by one *John Johnson*, that Lord *Trenrum* declared upon the *Monday*, that he had been the *Tuesday* following at the *French Play-house* and there had eat some *Soup-Meagre* with the *French Stranglers*, and says that he saw Lord *Trenrum* throw a large Dish of the said *Soup-Meagre* in the Face of one *Thomas Vandergut*, an *Englisman*, and a great Lover of the Laws and Liberties of his Country ; and says, that he is credibly informed, and verily believes, that the said Lord *Trenrum* has sent over to the King of *France* for a Party of the *Swiss Guards* to protect the *French Stranglers* ; and farther says, that he was last *Sunday* at the *French Ambassador's Chappel*, and there saw Lord *Trenrum* at Mash, in Company with three or four of the *French Stranglers* ; and farther says that he intends to swear something else To-morrow, but cannot as yet, being very hoarse by hallowing for *Vanderporte* at the ensuing *Lecture*.

BRYAN RAPAWAY.

Sworn at the Fleet, near 3 Concy-walk Lambeth, before me, the 32d Day of Nov. 1749.

PAUL BLACKHEAD.

N. B. If any Person can devise any scandalous Lie against my Lord *Trenham*, he may meet with Encouragement, by applying to the *Independent Electors* at the Sign of the *Fox and Goose* in the *Strand*.

Note, Swearing will be insisted on.

It is expected that my Lord T——'s Friends should behave themselves very quietly at the Election ; but the Mob on the other Side are desired to be as riotous and disorderly as they can.

N. B. Our Friends the *Jacobites* are desired for this once to swallow the Health of King *GEORGE*,
if

if possible; since they will make full Amends by
Voting on the Right Side.

To the Worthy Electors of Westminster.

GENTLEMEN,

OUT of the Abundance of the Heart, the
Mouth speaketh; and I could not rest in my
Grave, without communicating to you the inclosed
Acrostic, and (as *Hamlet* says) you may take the
GHOST's Word for a thousand Pounds.

Yours in the Spirit,

BOS. PENLEZ.

St. Clement's Church-Yard,

November 28, 1749.

N. B. 78 Voters in Scotland-Yard. Query if to
be allow'd?

GROANS. Of some present Proceedings before the
House of the LORD.

T ruant to thy promis'd Trust;

R ebel daring where thou durst;

E ager to promote *French Strollers*,

N one but Poltroons are thy Pollers:

T ribes of Nose-led Clerks, and Placemen,

H ackney Voters (Bribes disgrace Men)

A ll for-swear thro' thick and thin,

M eanness theirs, but thine the Sin.

St. Clement's Church-Yard,

BOS. PENLEZ.

Nov. 28, 1749.

To the Worthy Electors of Westminster.

A True Copy of a Letter sent to an Inhabitant
of Covent-Garden, who thought himself at
Liberty, (though a Tenant to the——to Vote, ac-
cording to *His own Conscience*; which having done,
Received the following, viz.

" I Hereby give you Notice, that you are to quit
 " the House you Rent of his — situate in Bedford-
 " Street, in the Parish of St. Paul, Covent-Garden,
 " at Lady-Day next, or to pay — Seventy-two
 " Pounds a Year for the same, from that Time,"

Dated Nov. 29, 1749.

R. B — R.

To Mr. Matthew Creighton,

Steward to His Grace.

Note, I acknowledge to have Received the above
 Letter, by the Hands of Mr. BECUDA, one of
 His Grace's Stewards, and accept the Notice
 therein. The Rent I at present pay is Thirty-
 six Pounds per Annum: I voted for, and to my
 utmost have served Sir GEORGE VANDE-
 PUT. Who won'd not?

††† No Rent due to His Grace yet.

REASONS for Voting for Lord T —.

I. **B**Ecause he is a Young Nobleman of great Fa-
 mily and Fortune, of unblemished Honour,
 and a known Friend to our present happy Consti-
 tution.

II. Because every honest Man ought to detest a
 Cause which hath been supported by the rankest
 Falshoods and Perjuries.

III. Because no Man can give any Reason for
 voting for Sir G. V —, which is not founded on
 these Falshoods and Perjuries.

ON BOSAVERN PENLEZ.

By an Honest Elector of Westminster.

UNfortunate Fellow he dyed ;
 Lamented by All that is Good ;
 No Female in *London* but cryed,
 Excepting the Daughters of *Wood*.

WHEREAS it has been maliciously reported, in order to impose on my Countrywomen, and prejudice me in their Favour, that I was seen at the *Hay-market* Theatre, the first Night of the *French* Play ; I swear by my Beard, that I was not there, either that or any other Night of their Performance.

Peggy W~~estminster~~n.

See as you like it, Act I. Scene IV.

Stuck on the Church Pillars, near the Hustings.

ST. George for England,
 L——d T~~rentin~~m for France,
Honi Soit qui Mal y Pense.

To the Worthy Electors of WESTMINSTER.

GENTLEMEN,

I am a Voter for *Westminster*, and should be glad to give my Vote for the worthiest Candidate, but I must be greatly determined in my Choice, by having an Answer to the two following *Queries*, stated upon a plain Fact.

The Church of every Parish is undoubtedly, by Law, committed to the Care of the Church-Warden for the Time being. Every Intrusion upon his Of-

vice is certainly illegal, and every Violence offered to personal Liberty ought to be resented with Indignation by every Man who wears the Name of an *Englishman*. My Questions therefore are,

Whether a Set of Justices, openly in the Interest of Sir George V———, did not upon the 29th Day of this Instant, intrude themselves in the Vestry-Room of *Covent Garden Church*, and upon the Church-Warden, enquiring by what Authority they sat there, did not one of those Champions for Liberty actually commit the Church-Warden, and threaten to send him to *Newgate*?

What is to be expected from the future Conduct of a Party who, in their supposed Dawn of Success, can thus arbitrarily trample upon the most sacred Fences of the Protestant Establishment, and the most undoubted Privileges of *Englishmen*.

On a certain Colossal Landlord.

O CANIBAL! to double a Man's Rent,
'Cause 'gainst his Conscience he won't give Assent.

Thus may thy future Acts thy Judgment show,
Till a fam'd Sq——re, a frightful *Desert* grow.

ARGUS.

Peg Trim Tram's Sorrowful LAMENTATION.

O H! that I had ne'er subscribed,
To *French Strollers* as I've done,
For now altho' I've many br-b-d,
I am lost sure as a Gun.

I did think my Int'rest greater,
Than I find it is indeed;
But Sir *George* does me defeat, Sir,
Oh! dear Sirs! my Heart does bleed.

Hence let none, then, for the future,
Give bold *Britons* gross Affront,

For I've acted like a Brute, Sir,
And forgive me, now, they won't.

Now

Now they pay me in my Coin, Sirs,
 And it grieves me to my Soul,
 Ah ! was ever Grief like mine, Sirs,
 For my Deeds have been most foul.
 Poor *Ponlez* I might have saved,
 But I did refuse the same,
 Tho' it were so justly craved,
 By great Numbers of good Fame.
 But, alas ! it is too late, Sirs,
 And I can't recal the Time,
 Which has almost craz'd my Pate, Sirs,
 For I own it a great Crime.
 Mark the People, how they're rouzed,
 Like to Lions in their Dens ;
 Mostly to Sir *George* espoused,
 And asperse me with their Pens,
 More than that, my Fears to face them,
 Least I should my Breeches foul,
 Are so great, since Numbers place them,
 For to hiss my drooping Soul,
 I got out behind the Church, Sirs,
 From those Numbers to get clear,
 And to leave them in the Lurch, Sirs,
 But, alas ! they meet me there :
 Then with Flouts and Hisses doubled,
 They do storm at me amain !
 Oh ! dear Sirs ! my Heart is troubled !
 And it quite distracts my Brain.
 Now, dear Members, Warning take, Sirs,
 Never for to Act like me,
 If you do, your All's at Stake, Sirs,
Britons are for Liberty.
 I cou'd wish, but 'tis too late, Sirs,
 That it were to do again ;
 Oh ! my poor distracted Pate, Sirs,
 Ah ! poor Heart, and troubled Brain.

Printed at the Request of the *Generous Electors* of
Westminster, as a Warning-piece to *F—ls*.

The Under-written is submitted to the Serious Consideration of the Electors of Westminster.

“ **M**oreover, among the *Presbyterians*, lay concealed, a certain Set of Men, known afterwards by the Name of *INDEPENDENTS*, who held concerning Civil as well as Ecclesiastical Government, *uncommon Opinions*, which they took care not to explain, till they found Occasion to publish them: They were contented for a Time to conceal themselves among the *Presbyterians*, in order at a proper Time, to accomplish their Designs more effectually. It was the particular Interest of these Men so to manage, that the Government of the State should be changed, or rather overthrown, well-knowing their Party could never subsist, but in Anarchy and Confusion. *Rapin*, Vol. II. fol. 352.

“ To execute their Designs, they had at first joined with the *Presbyterians*, on Pretence of establishing *Presbyterianism*, but in Reality to destroy the King. And when it was out of the King's Power to hurt them, they laboured to destroy the same *Presbyterianism*; for the Establishment of which, they have shewn more Zeal than the *Presbyterians* themselves. *Such were the Views of the INDEPENDENT Rapin Vol. II. fol. 546.*

GENTLEMEN,

THE above Quotations from an Author greatly esteem'd for his Disinterestedness and Impartialty, sufficiently prove, that the Principles of the *Independents* have ever tended to introduce Anarchy and Confusion, and that to accomplish those Purposes, they have never scrupled to fall in with any Faction or Party, whose Assistance was necessary to perfect

perfect their Designs; and though the *Independents* of those Days might in some inessential Matters vary from those of the present Stamp, yet, upon Enquiry, very little Difference will be found between them.

You will therefore, I hope, now at this critical Conjunction, e'er it be too late, exert yourselves so as to quash the present growing Spirit of *Jacobitism* and *Independency*, and thereby save these Kingdoms from those great and worst Scourges of Providence, — *POPEERY*, the *INQUISITION*, and *ARBITRARY POWER*.

To the Worthy Electors of *Westminster*.

GENTLEMEN,

THE Majority that appeared in my Favour upon the Poll this Day, is not more agreeable to me than the Regularity with which the whole was conducted, agreeable to the Regard which every *British* Subject ought to have to his Majesty's Government, and that Spirit which distinguishes the true Friends of Liberty.

If I should have the good Fortune to succeed on the Election, I should be inexcusable did I not merit your Favour, by a firm Attachment to your Interest, and those of *Great-Britain*, and I shall ever be ready to make that the Test of my future Conduct,

I am,

GENTLEMEN,

Grosvenor-street,
Dec 1, 1749.

Your most obliged-humble Servant,

TRENTHAM.

To

To the Worthy Electors of the City and Liberty of
Westminster.

GENTLEMEN,

I HAVE the most grateful Sense of your Favours, and I hope you'll continue to support me with your Votes and Interest, and then, notwithstanding the Artifices of Yesterday, have in Appearance reduced our Majority to 44, I doubt not we shall prevail over the Arbitrary Directions of Men in Power, and the fatal Effects of corrupt Influence.—Many honest and unbiass'd Electors have not yet polled, Glorious Opportunity for them to finish triumphantly what their Friends, the Friends of Liberty, have so worthily carried on.—For my own Part, as it is my Duty, so it is my Resolution to use all honest and laudable Endeavours to defeat their pernicious Schemes, and render your Nomination Successful.—Let each Elector, who has already voted, call on his Neighbours that have not, and the Majority of honest Voters will far exceed the Numbers that can be found corruptible.

I remain

Gentlemen,

Dec. 2. 1749.

Your very much obliged,

And Faithful Humble Servant

GEORGE V.—T.

WHereas it has been maliciously reported, in order to impose on the worthy Inhabitants of the City and Liberties of *Westminster*, and to prejudice me in their Opinion at this Time, that I was active in the Proceedings against *Rosavern Penlez*, at
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the *Old-Baily* last Sessions; I do declare, upon my Honour, that I was neither on the Bench nor in the Gallery, nor uttered my Evidence, or made use of any Perjury to condemn or hang any of the Prisoners; nor was I even present at the First and Chief Prosecution; nor have I been at any Trial in that Court since the first Day of the Sessions, as has been falsely suggested.

P——r W——d.

Temple-Bar, Nov. 24, 1749.

To the Worthy Inhabitants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, especially my dear Friends the honourable Independents.

WHEREAS I G——E BRANDY-PORT, of *Batavia*, *Fibb* Merchant, do intend to exhibit to View during the Election for the City and Liberty of *Westminster*, Variety of *Dutch* and *Flemish* Drolls, to amuse the Ignorant, and impose upon the Credulous.

First, I shall shew the wonderful *van Davison*, that swallows and disgorges Oaths and Lies, with as much Ease as a *Jack-Pudding* can Fire and Tow. To make him more conspicuous, I shall mount him on a *Grey Horse*, dressed up with *Italian Ribbons* and *white Roses*.

Secondly, You will be amused with the Horrors of a frightful Ghost, held up by *St Clement* with a Mopstick; which for want of a proper Name in the *Dutch*, I have called, *An Independent Scare-crow*.

The Whole to conclude with a new *Jacobite Ha!* *Ha!* call'd

Drawn Swords, *French Strollers*, and *Ten Guinea* SUBSCRIBERS.

Enquire

Enquire for me at *Van Jacob's*, the Sign of the *Imaginary Crown and Broken Anchor*, in the *Strand*; and at the *Fountain of Dissention*, in *Katherine-street*; where my Friends are ready to deprive you of your *Pence* and *Reason*; for which I shall return you my hearty Thanks and *Dutch Services*.

G. BRANDY-PORT.

November 30.

AN extraordinary Adventure happened on *Saturday Evening* at the upper End of *Brook-street*. As two young Ladies, ardent Zealots for different Parties, were returning home from *Grosvenor-square*, a Dispute arose, in which some sarcastical Expressions were uttered, to the Disadvantage of the favourite Candidate. The eldest, incapable of brooking so great an Affront, Fury burst from her Imprisonment with her wanted Rage, and with those female Implements of War, vulgarly called Nails, rushed upon her Companion, endeavouring to disfigure those Parts of her fair Antagonist which are the Seat of ogling, which by a lucky Activity, or Intervention of some Deity, were so well defended as to prevent any more fatal Consequence than a slight Scratch on the left Temple: This Effort proving unsuccessful, she proceeded to deprive her of those Ornaments which adorn the Head; this answered her most sanguine Expectations, and was performed so effectually, that quick as Thought they were grasped in one Hand, and with all the haughty Disdain of a proud Victrix flung into the Kennel. The other's Spirits by this Time agitated and fired with Revenge had almost retaliated, when a Gentleman passing by, providentially performed the Office of Mediator, and pacified the two Heroines, Muttering excepted. How happy will W——ster be in either Candidate? The Gentlemen,

Gentlemen admire them for Magnanimity and Strength of Intellects, or to use the Expression of *B——ke*, for that extraordinary Proportion of the Æthereal Spirit with which they are endowed; and the Ladies adore them for their consummate Beauty, graceful and majestic Mien, to such a Degree, as even to commit Hostilities on their Account upon each other.

ADVERTISEMENT.

ANY fine young Lord or pretty Gentleman who is inclined to change his Seat in Parliament for one at the *French Play-House*, may enquire at the Sign of the *Blunderbuss* in the *Hay Market*, for *Tom Noddle*.

The Seat is so very warm, that even Mr. Frible may venture into it without taking Cold.

To the worthy Electors of *Westminster*.

GENTLEMEN,

THE warm yet decent Zeal you expressed, both by your Conduct and Behaviour, in my Favour last *Saturday*, has gained me an indisputable Majority upon the Whole of the Poll, and claims the utmost Returns of my Gratitude.

Nothing but the Sense of my own Innocency, under many cruel, causeless, Impurations, and my being conscious, that, in whatever Situation of Life I am placed, my whole Aim shall be to serve the Cause of Liberty, could prevail with me, again, in the most earnest Manner, to beg the Continuance of that Spirit which has already done you so much Honour, and by which alone the Protestant Establishment in his Majesty's Person and Family can be secur'd and supported. My future Conduct shall vindicate

dicare my Character, and speak my Thanks to you,
I hope in a more proper and effectual Manner than
any present Assurance that can come from

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient

Most obliged humble Servant,

T—M.

To the Worthy Electors of the City and Liberty of
Westminster.

I Have the most grateful Sense of your Favours,
and I hope you'll continue to support me with
your Votes and Interest, and then I doubt not we
shall prevail over the Arbitrary Directions of Men in
Power, and the fatal Effects of corrupt Influence.—
Many honest and unbiass'd Electors have not yet
polled. Glorious Opportunity for them to finish tri-
umphantly what their Friends, the Friends of Liberty,
have so worthily carried on.—For my own, as it is
my Duty, so it is my Resolution to use all honest
and laudable Endeavours to defeat their pernicious
Schemes, and render your Nomination successful.—
Let each Elector, who has already voted, call on his
Neighbours that have not, and the Majority of ho-
nest Voters will far exceed the Numbers that can be
found corruptible.

I remain,

Gentlemen,

Your very much Obligated,

And Faithful Humble Servant,

GEORGE V—T.

To

To the Worthy Electors of the City and Liberties of Westminster.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have lately had an Instance of the laudable Behaviour of our worthy Merchants of the City of *London*, to support the Credit of the Nation, at a Time when our *ALL* was at Stake.

Why should not the same Spirit subsist amongst the worthy Electors of *Westminster*, when your Liberty is in Danger?

I am strongly convinced of the good Intentions of those worthy Electors in the Interest of Sir GEORGE V——T, who have now an Opportunity of returning the Favour the Merchants were so justly applauded for, in the Interest of their King and Country. Consider with yourselves how readily those Gentlemen subscribed their Names to the Support of this great Metropolis at that Time; therefore now prove yourselves to have a just Sense of Liberty and Property, and your Names will be recorded in the Annals of Time.

Yours,

A free Voter.

FIGURES exhibited during the Election.

A Large white Standard carried at the Head of a great Number of Electors, with this Inscription. UNITED FOR OUR COUNTRY. NO FRENCH STROLLERS.

A Person carried about in a Coffin dress'd in a Shroud, attended by a Number of Lights, &c. designed to represent *Penlez*, who was Executed for the Riot

Riot at the Baudy-house in the Strand; who frequently sat up and harangued the Populace for his unhappy Fate, &c.

A Skeleton, carried about, signifying that of Common Sense, kill'd the first Night the French Players Acted in the Hay-Market.

N. B. This COLLECTION may be depended on to be Genuine.

~~For my own Part, as it is my Duty, so it is my~~
APPENDIX.

~~Monday, December, 4, 1749.~~
~~To the Worshipful Electors of Westminster.~~
~~Numbers that can be found corrigible.~~

GENTLEMEN,

I Have the farther Pleasure to inform you, that thro' your noble Perseverance in the Cause I appear for, That of Liberty and the Protestant Establishment in his Majesty's Person and Government, the Poll this Day has run to a large Majority for me.

A very short Continuance of the noble Spirit you have hitherto exerted will, I hope, determine the Poll in my Favour, and nothing in my Power shall be wanting to convince you, and the Public, that I shall make no other Distinction in Parties than between the Friends and Enemies of Great Britain. I therefore beg that you will now, if possible, more than ever, early and earnestly appear in my Interest, as I have no higher Ambition, than by my Conduct in Parliament to approve myself the Friend and Servant of my Country.

Yours most Obedient Servant,
TRENTHAM.

To the Worshipful Electors of the City and Liberty of Westminster.

GENTLEMEN,
I Have the most grateful Sense of your Favours, and I hope you'll continue to support me with your Votes and Interest, and then I doubt not we shall prevail over the Arbitrary Directions of Men in Power, and the fatal Effects of corrupt Influence. Many honest and unbiass'd Electors have not yet polled. Glorious Opportunity for them to finish triumphantly what their Friends, the Friends of Liberty, have to worthily carried on.

on.—For my own Part, as it is my Duty, so it is my Resolution to use all honest and laudable Endeavours to defeat their pernicious Schemes, and render your Nomination successful.—Let every Elector who has already voted, call on his Neighbours that have not, and the Majority of honest Voters will far exceed the Numbers that can be found corruptible.

I remain,

Dec. 6, 1749. *Gentlemen,*
Your very much Obliged,
And Faithful Humble Servant,
 GEORGE VANDEPUT.

An Earnest ADDRESS to the Worthy Electors of Westminster who have not as yet polled, or do not intend to poll.

GENTLEMEN,

IT is a Matter of mere Indifference to me (being no ways interested) which of the Candidates succeed in your Election.—Yet—when I see such gross, infamous Practices made Use of to carry a Point,—that—that alone would determine me how to act.—Was there ever a Time that *Bribery* and *Perjury* were so barefacedly practis'd?—When have we ever seen before now, the N—b—y and M— of S— so avowedly and openly abetting them, and even by Constraint endeavouring to propagate them?—Can any Man imagine that the City of *Westminster* is concerned only in the Event? Will such daring Men as these end here?—What will they not drive at,—when they are successful enough to do what they please in one of the most populous and wealthiest Cities in the Kingdom?—No,—no, Gentlemen,—Your COUNTRY is concerned.—Her Eyes are upon you.—Is this then, Gentlemen, a Time to look unconcernedly in an *Event* of the utmost Importance?—An *Event* which probably may be the *Crisis* of your COUNTRY'S FATE.—If then you have any Regard for the Welfare of her,—if any
 Regard

Regard for *Yourselfes or Families*,—any Concern for your *Civil or Religious Rights*,—now—now—is the *Time* for convincing the World that we DARE be FREE, and of having the secret Satisfaction of being the glorious Means of putting a Stop to a set of Principles and Practices the most destructive to human Society,—by voting for

Sir GEORGE VANDERPUT.

A CITIZEN of LONDON.

To the Worthy Electors of the City and Liberty of Westminster.

THE Artifices and Appearances made, in Favour of Lord *Trentham's* Enemies, by avowed *Papists* and *Jacobites*, make it now evident that *Papery* and *Jacobitism* are more than Sounds; and that there is no Connection so unnatural which they will not court, in order to distract His Majesty's Government. But the Mist which their Arts had rais'd has been lately dispell'd, and every Man of Sense can now see the *Dutch* Flag inscrib'd with *English* Nonsense. Another noble Effort of publick Spirit will strike it; and then let every true *Englishman* lend his Assistance in rearing the *British* Standard, and regard no Colours but those of *England*, whose Interest Lord *Trentham* is determin'd, in all Events, and in all Stations, never to abandon.

I am,

GENTLEMEN, Your obedient Servant,

A Brother Elector.

AN EPIGRAM.

YOUTH L—d G—r to his Son, "Boy,
" thy Frolick and Place
" Full dear will be paid for by us, and his G—ce;
" Ten Thousand twice o'er advanc'd!" Veritable!—
Mon Pere, cry'd the Youth, but the D—e you know's
able;

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Nor

Nor blame my *French Frolicks*, since all Men are
 certain,

You're doing behind, what I did fore the *Curtain*.
A Filibuster near the River Trent.

ACROSTICKS.
 To the honest ELECTORS of *Westminster*.

Try him, my Friends! and prove an English
 Heart;

Reject each Tool with *Independent Art*;

Each Lye avoid, each Artifice despise;

Unoffensive, we know, are *Independent Lies*,

To gain the Voice; the *popular Applause*:

Here *Independents* utter Strife and Noise,

Art to deceive, and Folly to reject,

May Britons love a *Trentham*, and *Elect*.

Void of the well-known, cringing, Courtly Arts,
 As Flattery, Bribes, nay Threats, to gain your

Hearts;

Not a base menial Lacquey of the State;

Daring, oppose the bold, aspiring Great;

Ever attach'd to his poor Country's Cause,

Persecutor, not Oppressor, of its Laws;

Uphold this Man, Unite, be Bold, Oppose

The Wretch, who dares protect your greatest

Foes.

True to his Country, ready to defend

Rights, which on *GEORGE'S* House August de-

pend:

Early our noble Youth doth plainly prove,

No Threats can daunt him, nor no Faction move;

The True-born *BRITON*icorn the Rage of

Fools:

His on, ye Crowds of *Independent Tools*:

And all ye motley Tribes, with Shame confess,

Most Shines that Virtue, which ye most deprecis.

The new PHAENOMENON, or, MIRACLES are
Occasioned by Lord's asking a Question.

TURN to you sacred *Pens*, and bless your Eyes!
There *(Preston)* *Gehlers* *Stalls*, *to Houses* rise
Whence pour forth Shoals of *Loe-rs*, *tanum* *scantums*,
All to support the righteous *Cause* of *Timothy* M
So Second *James*, his *Image* stamps on *Brass*,
When Halfpence, Pence, for Crowns and Half-Crowns
For your I—p and Party not one has left there,
So was forc'd for their Closing to go to *Roe-Fair*.
On seeing certain *Pol-s*, go thro' a certain *Ch-ch* to

A Receipt for the Good of *Parochial* *Epicures*.

SEE, *skulking* thro' the *Iles*, each *7* *m* *Wight*
Like filthy *Owls* of *Prey*, that dread the *Light*
O'trange Reverse of *Things*, What *Heart* but grieves?
The *House* of *Pray-r*, turn'd to a *Den* of *Fbi-s*.

A R E B U S
two unpol'd *L* *fisher* look them *together* well
in *Certain* *W* *ine*, and *Fumigate* them with *hall*
a hundred *Weight* of *P* *ow*, which will give
them an *Orthodox* *Smell*; then mix them with
THE *River* near *Newark* for *Eels* to *renown'd*,
With a *Dish* without *Chickens*, which seldom is
found
Will make up the *Name* of a *certain* *great* *Lord*,
Who by *Frenchmen* is lov'd, and by *Britons* abhor'd.

of *Dispute* and *Controversy*, of *infinite* *Service*
Another on *V* *romasch*, as it creates *poro* *dial* *Fetti-*
That *Place* in the *Army* which *French* *Soldiers* hare,
Fourth and Fifth Letters of the *Alphabet*,
That *Game* on *Cards* the *little* *House* of *Pray*,
This is the *Name* we hope will win the *Day*.

W
This *Monarch*, (who was a *Tran-um-te*) was forced when
in *Ireland*, to *have* *Money*, and make *Brass* supply the *Place*
of *Silver*.
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E P I G R A M.

Occasioned by Lord C——'s asking a Question.

SAYS Lord C—— to the J——e how comes it good Sir,
That your Votes are so ragged, yet make such a Stir,
Why troth says the J——e, my Lord, you are right,
My Intention was really to make 'em more tight.
But I ranfack'd all *Monmouth-Street*, o'er and o'er;
And the Devil a Coat was there left of their Store;
For your L——p and Party not one has left there,
So was forc'd for their Cloathing to go to *Rag-Fair*.

A Receipt for the Good of Parochial Epicures.

RPUT a rusty Horsenail, a Camel Load of
Dye, called *Ivory Black*, an old and young
pickled *Chubb*, Starch pulveriz'd, vulgarly
called *Barber's Dust*; incorporate them with
two unboil'd *Lobsters*, soak them altogether well
in *Gerard-Wine*, and Fumigate them with half
a hundred Weight of *Petum*, which will give
them an *Oribodox Smell*; then mix them with
the Dross of *Saffron of the Hill*, *Chick-weeds*,
Paupers Fear, and a thousand Weight of *Cor-*
rosive Threats: Let them work together two or
three Days, and they'll afford you a Plurality
of *Beings* in one *Lecturer*, for the Propagation
of Dispute and Controversy, of infinite Service
to great Stomachs, as it creates parochial Festi-
vals, and eases the *Poor*, and other Rates.

WHEREAS, on Account of the present *West-*
minster Election, several Persons have been
discharg'd from the *Gatehouse*, *Totbill fields Bridewell*,
Fleet and King's-Bench Prisons, Whose Names are
under written, being now Prisoners in his Majesty's
Goal of *Newgate*, think proper to acquaint the Agents
of

of a *Noble Candidate*, that we have not yet poll'd *once* at this Election, and as Part of us are at present unluckily under Sentence of Transportation, and the rest have some melancholy Apprehensions of the ensuing Sessions, in order *to make a Friend at Court*, we are now ready to give our Votes for his Lordship upon *very easy Terms*, and are farther willing to make all reasonable Abatement for any *Pardon*, or *Noli Prosequi* he shall be able to obtain for us: In which we apprehend he will find no great Difficulty, as we are credibly inform'd several Prosecutions have been already stifled upon the same Consideration, and as we can assure his Lordship, **UPON OUR HONOUR**, we were no way concern'd with the late *Mr. Penlez* in the Demolition of the Bawdy-houses.

*Jemmy Twitcher, Nimming Ned,
Newgate, Dec. 2. Crook-finger & Jack, Harry Paddington,
Wat Dreary, Mat of the Mint,
Robin of Bagshot, Ben Budge.*

N. B. If any Objection should be made to the Legality of our Votes, *Mr. Justice Trotplaid* will attend to give us a Character, and prove our having been not only Inhabitants, but very considerable Dealers in the City and Liberties.

*Copy of a Letter from Mr. Bayes, of Covent-Garden,
to his Friend at Windsor.*

DEAR SIR,

Dec. 5, 1749.

AS I know you are a Well-wisher to the Interest of Lord T-----M, I heartily congratulate you, as well as all my worthy Fellow-Citizens, on the Success of the three last Days Polls, whereby his Lordship has recover'd a Majority of near 150, which had been gain'd on the other Side by such a Clamour, such pitiful and malicious Insinuations, as were hardly ever
D 4 known.

known at any Poll for this City.---All the Black-
guards, Kettle-fakers, Rag-gatherers, and Ballad-
singers, had been engaged to salute those who came
to the Poll, with the loud Roar of no French Strollers;
Just so the Danger of the Church was trumpeted by
a Faction in the Reign of Queen Anne, when Thou-
sands now living remember that four wealthy Mer-
chants, Candidates for the City of London, were for no
other Reasons than their being *Wigs*, indicted by a
Jobite Mob, with the sententious Cry of *French Huguenots*,
No Presbyterians, *No Merchants*; to which they might
as well have added, *No Trade*, *No Bread*. With the
same Justice, and the same good Sense, has a Mob of
the same Complexion been lately deluded and inspired
up to bellow against *Peers*, *Courtiers*, and *Placemen*,
though they might as well exclaim against any Re-
wards for *Merit*, and even against the royal Judge
of it.

But they who frequent our Plays, as well as those
who perform them, are fully convinced that the Eng-
lish Theatre was not in the least Danger; so that no-
thing remains for those who have not yet polled, but
to consider who is the fittest Person to represent them
in Parliament, Whether the Heir of a Noble Earl,
descended from an ancient and honourable English Fa-
mily, that has one of the largest Shares of Property
in the Kingdom; or a Gentleman of but a small For-
tune, and of foreign Extraction, put up merely for
the Sake of Opposition.

I am, Sir, Yours sincerely,

P. S. Just as I am closing my Letter, I hear Lord
Tottenham is a-begging the Poll. I know you will be
The *Covent Garden Journal* to be published once a
very Month, during the present WESTMIN-
STER ELECTION.

Tuesday, December 5, 1749.

Introductory Essay.

LIBERTY and FREEDOM are, as *Tam Brown*
well observes in his excellent *Treatise on Meta-*
physicks,

ishment. Actions are risen very considerably within these few Days.

Amsterdam, Dec. 9. N. S. Yesterday sail'd the *Vanderporten*, of this Place, with 200 of the *Netherland Independents*, who intend to vote at the *Westminster Election*, as Inhabitants of *St. Martin's*, and *St. Clement's*.

HOME AFFAIRS.

London, Dec. 4. We are credibly inform'd that Sir *G. V.* has not as yet given up the Election in Favour of *Lord Trentham*, but on the contrary a Subscription is now actually opening in the Fleet to carry on the Poll.——The following Letter to Sir *G.* from thence will not, I hope, be unacceptable to our Readers.

Fleet-Prison, Dec. 3. 1749.

MOST WORTHY SIR,

IT is with the utmost uneasiness that we hear the *French Strollers* are like to have a Majority in *Covent Garden*; it is our misfortune too as well as yours that the ending of the Term has put it out of our Powers to attend you in Person; but we most heartily intreat you to hold out a Day or two longer, and by that Time a Supply of Money will be sent from the Friends of Liberty in this Place. If a Scrutiny should be necessary, we may perhaps contribute a little to that too.——So pray most worthy Sir, hold up your Head, for the Honour of *Old England* and the *Independent Electors*.——We are with all imaginable Respect, &c.——P. S. Pray send us Word how your Cold does, and whether you go on huzzaing as if you had a Majority.

It has been remark'd by the Curious that some Officers have maintain'd so entire an Impartiality on one Side during the whole Election, that the Friends on the other have scarce been able to get to the Place of Poll.

We hear that on *Saturday* last Sir *G. V.* had a very considerable Majority among all those Electors who might be rather said to have Voices than Votes, and
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it is remark'd that the worshipful Company of Black Shoe-Boys have been unanimous on his Side at this Election.

Yesterday a large Gang of Pick-pockets in the true Interest of their Country, met according to Desire, at the *Cross Keys* and *Rummer*; whence, after drinking the proper Health, they proceeded immediately to the Place of Poll; where, we are assured, they made a considerable Booty; some Part of which they have since generously subscribed towards the farther *Continuance* of the Election.

The two following authentic Stories may perhaps divert our Readers.

A Barber, who was very strongly in the Interest of Sir G. V. had a Debt due to him of three Pounds from an *Independent Elector*, which he thought dangerous, and was therefore willing to embrace the present Opportunity of getting his Money; he went to the *Independent* and told him he would not vote for Sir G. unless the Bill was paid; the *Independent* immediately apply'd for this Sum to the Fund raised for carrying on a *free and uncorrupt* Election, but the said Fund happen'd to be exhausted some Days before; upon this, neither of them has since poll'd, and we are well assur'd, whoever will advance three Pounds may have them both.

A Lamp-Lighter of St. *Clement's* met with a Chimney-Sweeper of St. *John's*, and ask'd him who he voted for—The Chimney-Sweeper answered for Lord *Trentbam*—For Lord *Trentbam*, says the Lamp-lighter, why it was he that brought in the *French* Players—and they say there's a Subscription on Foot for bringing in *French* Chimney-Sweepers too — Is there by G—d, says the Chimney-Sweeper? I have no Vote—Nor I neither says the Lamp-lighter — But d—n me we'll poll — and so they did in Favour of Sir G.

The following was sent us by a Correspondent.
To the Author of the Covent-Garden Journal.

To the worthy Electors of Westminster
 A true Copy of a Letter sent to an Inhabitant of
 Covent-Garden, who thought himself at Liberty
 (tho' a Tenant to the Duke of Bedford) to vote
 according to his own Conscience which having
 done, received the following, Viz. sh: ni sec 2 A
 I hereby give you Notice that you are to quit
 the house you rent of his Grace the Duke of Bed-
 ford, situate in Bedford-street, in the Parish of St
 Paul, Covent-Garden, at Lady-Day next, or to
 pay his Grace Seventy-two Pounds a Year for the
 same from that Time.

Dated Nov. 29, 1749.

W. BUTCHER.

To Mr. Matthew Creighton. Steward to his Grace.

Note, I acknowledge to have received the above
 Letter by the Hands of Mr. Betuden, one of his Grace's
 Stewards, and accept the Notice therein. The Rent

I at present pay is Thirty-six Pounds per Annum. I
 voted for, and to my utmost have served Sir George
 Vandeput. Who would not?

†† No Rent due to his Grace
 MATTHEW CREIGHTON

A Majority in a certain Election
 lost between St. Margaret's and St. John's Westminster.
 Election for the Parish of St. John's Co-
Election Daily Advertiser.

THURSDAY, December 7, 1749.

To be Considered
 Whereas many People pawn their Virtue, Ho-
 nour and Integrity; particularly at this Time
 and are not able to redeem the same such Persons
 are hereby inform'd that on enquiring for P. W.
 Esq: on Ludgate Hill they may have them redeemed
 Any of the above Goods are bought and Money
 lent on Promises Affidavits &c. to near the full
 Value

Value for a certain Time agreed on. Removed from
the Condemned Hole in Newgate.

W A N T E D.

Upon Undeniable Security,

A Seat in the H. of Commons. Whoever has
such a Place to dispose of, may hear of a Purcha-
ser, by applying to the master of the Cross Keys and
Rummer.

D R O P P ' D.

From a Gentleman's.-----Tongue, certain disre-
spectful Words in regard to a certain Bart. of great
Merit, Beauty and Fortune. Whoever will bring
the original Proprietor of the said Words to the Bar
of the Cross Keys in *Henrietta Street*, shall have 4
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To the Worthby Electors of the City of Westminster.

GENTLEMEN,

I Return my most hearty and sincere Thanks to all those who have given me their Votes and Interest at this Election; by which a Majority of 157 was this Day declared in my Favour.

Their Zeal in my Support, shall ever be gratefully acknowledged, and I earnestly entreat the Continuance of it, until the Success of their Endeavours be completed.

I flatter myself, that every bad Impression made by those Calumnies, which Falshood and Malice have so industriously spread to my Prejudice, are by the Force of

of Truth now effac'd. In regard of the French Play, I hope I have sufficiently justify'd myself; and as to the Affair of *Penlez*, who suffer'd by due Courie of Law, no Application either publick or private was ever made to me in his Favour. If those, whose Birth, Fortune, and Reputation, justly intitle them to Weight with the best Men, have appeared in my Interest, their Friendship does me Honour. If those who have constantly oppos'd his Majesty's Government, have been the most Zealous in their Opposition to me (and whether they have or not; every one may judge by what has pass'd in their own Neighbourhood) the Enmity of such Men does me no Dishonour. I have used no unwarrantable Means whatsoever — to the Laws of my Country, which I reverence, I will ever pay due Obedience.

All low, ungenerous Arts I despise, and scorn to cast any Personal Reflections upon those who have appeared against me on this Occasion. I am glad that by the Demand of a Scrutiny, an Opportunity is given for printing the Roll. The Names which will appear there in my Favour, will do me great Honour, and my future Conduct shall reflect no Reproach upon them.

I am, GENTLEMEN,

Dec. 8, 1749. Your most obliged humble Servant,

TRENTHAM.

His Worthy Election of the City and Liberty of Westminster Those who have their Votes and Interest at this Election; by which a Major part of the City is declared in my Favour.

At the same Time that I repeat to you my most hearty Thanks as well for the great Honour of your Nomination, as for your unexampled Zeal in the Support of my Election, I must also congratulate with you upon the Success, which there is the greatest Reason to expect from the Event of the Scrutiny; in which I am sure my self, or your Assistance in detecting

that Infinity of bad Votes, which in violation of your most valuable Rights and Privileges, have by all manner of undue Means been pressed into the Poll; and it will then appear, how prevalent a Spirit of Liberty, with proper Conduct, is, and will ever be over Power and Corruption.

GENTLEMEN,

*Your most obliged and
Faithful humble Servant,
GEO. VANDEPUT.*

To Sir George Vandeput on the closing the Poll in favour of Lord Trentham.

——By a Lady. Presented to Sir George on the Hustings.

Had *Womxn* (Vandeput) been thy *Electors*
Thou hadst not then been bamm'd by C—t *Projectors*,
Plump in thy Favour had the *Polling* gone,
For all the *Beauties* are thy Friends—— *Nem. Con.*

On L—d T— offering to draw his Sword at the Disturbance at the French Play-House, which he PRUDENTLY declin'd upon being opposed by Mr. C—— the Merchant.

The Noble T—— stigmatize who can,
Or say he's not an Honourable Man;
His *Honour* speaks, then take his *Honour's* Word,
(Faith I believ't) he did not draw his Sword,
Ask you the—? *his Honour* was afraid,
To shew the *British* Cut, a *Paris* Blade.

An exact ACCOUNT of the POLL.

	St. Ann's. Tr. Vp.	St. George's Tr. Vp.	St. Margaret's and St. John's. Tr. Vp.	St. Paul's and St. Martin's Tr. Vp.	St. Clement's and St. Mary's Tr. Vp.	St. James's Tr. Vp.	St. Martin's Tr. Vp.	Total for Each. Tr. Vp.	Total for Both.
Wednesf. Nov. 22d.								10 10	20
Frid. 24.	107 110	239 54	189 30	53 103	62 179	217 114	68 161	935 751	1686
Satur. 25.	72 49	177 47	163 45	27 38	32 113	197 161	76 298	744 751	1495
Mon. 27.	44 90	144 162	145 77	48 36	26 156	183 189	103 260	693 970	1663
Tuesf. 28.	34 30	91 76	142 54	25 33	34 92	125 129	143 157	549 571	1165
Wed. 29.	26 21	91 54	112 25	10 16	18 58	100 136	77 126	437 436	873
Thursf. 30.	18 18	56 54	110 99	12 12	7 23	76 103	68 86	317 395	742
F. Dec. 1.	7 9	36 20	116 74	4 4	8 13	64 55	51 39	294 214	508
Satur. 2.	10 16	41 23	140 81	4 6	4 21	48 35	49 65	296 247	543
Mond. 4.	13 11	41 15	134 48	7 9	6 15	49 40	30 52	280 190	470
Tuesf. 5.	3 5	11 5	37 7	3 2	1 10	24 16	15 10	94 55	149
Wed. 6.	3 5	2 3	19 4	1 4	1 4	16 8	7 9	51 38	89
Thursf. 7.	3 1	8 7	6 4	2 1	2 2	8 5	7 4	36 26	62
	342 366	957 520	1313 550	204 264	198 686	1113 991	694 1267	4811 4654	9465
Majority.	24	417	763	60	488	122	573	157	Total

Poll'd on each Side and then adjourned to Friday.